



GM WORKERS PICKET: United Auto Workers at the Cadillac plant in Detroit use hand-printed signs as they walk off their jobs at midnight Monday night in Detroit. The UAW struck General Motors Corp., the nation's largest auto maker, after negotiations failed on a new three-year contract. (AP Wirephoto)

## GM Strike Idles 343,610 Workers

### Negotiators Far Apart

DETROIT (AP)—The United Auto Workers struck General Motors Corp. today, choking off car production by the world's largest manufacturing firm and idling hundreds of thousands of workers in the United States and Canada.

## Nationwide Rail Strike Is Averted

WASHINGTON (AP)—Despite a federal court restraining order, union pickets shut down a major portion of three railroads today while awaiting instructions from their leaders.

U.S. District Court Judge Howard F. Corcoran had granted the last-minute temporary restraining order to the railroads in an effort to halt the 12:01 a.m. strike by four AFL-CIO unions against three railroads.

The chief railroad negotiator, John P. Hiltz, said that any strike against the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway and the Southern Railway could lead to an industry-wide shutdown in a retaliatory lockout.

last-minute negotiations failed to produce a new, pattern setting contract for the auto industry.

**FAR APART**  
Both GM and the union said they were far apart on reaching a new contract, but pledged to begin talks to make the strike as short as possible. They said they would try for another meeting Wednesday.

However, some union and industry sources predicted the strike would be lengthy, and would possibly exhaust the UAW's \$120 million strike fund.

Union officials said the strike funds would last between seven and eight weeks, with the 343,610 workers on strike drawing up to \$40 weekly each.

The strike is the first national shutdown of GM since 1964, when failure to agree on a new contract closed the firm for 10 days. The only other major strike against GM lasted a bitter 113 days in 1945-46, which was the longest national strike ever in the industry.

The last major auto strike occurred in 1967 against Ford. It lasted 66 days and won for the UAW the "guaranteed annual income".

This strike comes just as GM

is introducing its new 1971 models, including the subcompact Vega 2300, designed to help fight off the challenge of imported compacts.

GM's inventory of new cars is expected to last eight weeks. UAW President Leonard Woodcock severely criticized the GM contract offer and said the auto-maker "held out no other choice" but to strike.

Earl Bramblett, GM vice president in charge of personnel and the firm's chief negotiator, said the UAW's action was a "strike against reason". He said the GM contract offer was an "economic proposal that is unprecedented in our history in the size and scope of its benefits."

Woodcock also charged because of "pressure exerted by GM," that "Chrysler was turned away from a settlement."

The UAW said Sunday Chrysler Corp. would not be an immediate strike target.

Ford Motor Co. was told two weeks ago it would not be struck.

Contracts covering 713,000 workers at the Big Three auto-makers all expired at midnight Monday. American Motors contract expires October 16.

Michigan is the lead among states with United Auto Workers on strike against GM. It has nearly half—some 170,510—of the 343,610 strikers. Other states with large numbers of strikers include Ohio with 40,510; New York with 17,270; Indiana with 14,540; Missouri with 11,950; California with 11,370 and Illinois with 10,200.

Ford and Chrysler said they would not extend their contracts, meaning the union must set up its own system for collecting dues from its members at the two firms. Both companies said

## 'Gunman' Wounded Brinks Guard Fails Hijacker

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A male passenger demanding to go to North Korea attempted to hijack a Trans World Airlines jetliner today. He was shot by another passenger, a private guard for a shipment of securities, after being in control of the plane for a little more than an hour, deputy sheriff's said.

Robert E. De Nisco, 34, an employee of Brinks, Inc., stood up and shouted "police" and began struggling with the hijacker after the pilot announced the hijack after the plane landed.

One shot was fired. The hijacker, described only as a young white man, was reported in serious condition at nearby Peninsula Hospital, where he was immediately taken to surgery.

Passengers said he boarded the plane in Los Angeles. The flight had started at New York, with a stop in Chicago.

Moments before the pilot's announcement to the passengers the hijacker had passed a note to him reading: "I have a gun and want to go to North Korea." It was not known if the hijacker was actually armed.

De Nisco, Brinks said, was carrying an undetermined amount of securities from Los Angeles to San Francisco.

The plane, flight 15 from Los Angeles, had landed at 6:06 a.m. and the pilot advised the tower that a white male passenger had told him: "This plane is being hijacked. It will be going further."

The pilot said there were 17 aboard, plus the crew.

At 7:04 a.m. the pilot reported that one shot had been fired inside the plane.

After the plane set down, it was directed to an outer runway away from the passenger terminal while sheriff's deputies and airport security officers rushed

to the area. The pilot radioed that officers should stay inside their vehicles.

A passenger, Kathy Rawlings, 19, of San Francisco, said one shot was fired during the struggle and the hijacker slumped to the floor.

## Strikes Idle 2,500 In Berrien

### National Disputes Could Add Gloom

More than 2,500 workers in Berrien county remain off their jobs in a series of strikes that started last May.

Two national labor disputes also could have an impact on the local economy. A prolonged automotive strike would hit area suppliers to the auto industry.

A nationwide rail strike appears to have been averted by a last-minute court order with the issues remaining unresolved.

Biggest walkout in Berrien county has idled 1,800 workers at Whirlpool's St. Joseph division since May 11. Ed Kepp, business agent for IAM Local 1918, said this morning the union was awaiting word from a federal mediator on a request for continuance of negotiations.

Company and union held two long sessions last week with mediators. The union then asked for another meeting today.

Other strike-bound Berrien county plants, workers idled and dates of walkouts are:

Jemco, Inc., Buchanan, 14 workers, May 1; Kawneer Co., Niles, 400, May 5; Kaywood Co., Benton Harbor, 128, July 20.

In addition there are about 200 members of Operating Engineers Local 324 in the county which went on strike Sept. 1 halting highway construction throughout the state. Many other workers not members of the local also are affected.

Whirlpool and Kaywood strikers have received support for UAW Local 383 which represents workers at Bendix Hydraulics division, south of St. Joseph. Robert Simon, Sr., recording secretary of Local 383 said membership went on record last week supporting the strikers against Whirlpool and Kaywood and urged respect of a boycott of Whirlpool products until a settlement is reached.

## Traffic Deaths

MICHIGAN TRAFFIC DEATHS BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Sept. 15 State Police count:  
This Year ..... 1,521  
Last Year ..... 1,699



GOTHAM GAUCHO: Having exchanged her newly-acquired crown for some southwestern headgear, Phyllis George, Miss America 1971, starts off her national reign with a trip to New York City. Here, she answers question during press conference Monday. The tall, former Miss Texas was chosen Miss America Saturday night in Atlantic City, N.J. (AP Wirephoto)

## Tri-CAP Chief

## Lady Says 'It Gets Lonely Out There'

By Jerry Krieger  
County-Farm Editor

Invited back during an earlier meeting when time was short, Mrs. Helen Ford, director of Tri-CAP, asked the Berrien county board of commissioners yesterday for their support—moral, financial and spiritual—of the anti-poverty program.

"We need the intercession of the 'establishment' to get our program a cross," she said persuasively, and invited the commissioners to give their constructive criticisms to Tri-CAP as well as their support.

"It gets lonely out there when the headlines say people are pulling out," she declared, apparently referring to the fact the commissioners of Cass county have publicly withdrawn their support.

After describing the seven programs the Tri-County Community Action commission is carrying out with federal anti-poverty funds, Mrs. Ford told the county board "what Tri-CAP is not."

"Tri-CAP is not anti-government. It is not anti-establishment. It is not anti-black. It is not anti-white. Tri-CAP is only anti-poverty."

The agency's mission, she continued, is to help all persons who are poor, and to help them lift themselves above the poverty level.

Mrs. Ford said Tri-CAP seeks

to help the poor of all races. Ten percent of the county's population, she noted, are whites who have poverty-level incomes; 1 1/2 percent are poor blacks, and one-half of one percent are poor of other races.

Mrs. Ford asked the commissioners for a resolution of support for her agency, but possibly for want of any emphasis or urgency on her part, the board did not take any immediate action in that regard.

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## Board Sets November Election

### Mill Boost, 5-Year Split Up To People

By BRANDON BROWN  
Staff Writer

Berrien county commissioners Monday voted to let Berrien residents ballot in November on a proposed increase and freeze in county property taxes.

Commissioners also voted to join a study of police agencies in the northwestern part of the county and heard that despite Van Buren's withdrawal Cass county indicates it will stick with Berrien in a \$167,000 study of a new southwestern Michigan juvenile detention center.

Despite arguments in the name of "economy" and 7 no votes, commissioners Monday okayed a request by the Berrien Tax Allocation board to let county voters decide Nov. 3 whether to raise the current 15-mill property tax limit to 16 mills and freeze it for five years at fixed shares for various government units.

Voters will be asked to freeze shares at 5.85 mills to county government (up from 5.125 mills this year); 1.25 mills to townships (up to 1 mill); .20 mills to Berrien Intermediate school district (up from .179 mills); and 8.70 mills to local school districts (up from 8.696).

**OPPOSITION HEARD**  
The one-mill hike would tap county property taxpayers an extra \$705,000 a year, according to one commissioner. Some county commissioners opposed putting the issue on the ballot because it will not be worked as an increase, and others simply opposed the increase.

"First we should take a long look and see if we're getting our money's worth out of what we're spending now," said Niles Commissioner Sheridan Cook.

Prosecutor Taylor explained the wording of the ballot is specified by law and cannot be changed.

"We must have this if we're going to operate at all," said Commissioner Lad Stacey, finance chairman and a member of the tax allocation board. "It's an absolute necessity."

For one, it fixes school tax shares and spares them the loss of millage to county government as occurred the past two years, Stacey said.

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# Parochialism Legal, But Will Go On Ballot

By LARRY KURTZ  
Associated Press Writer  
LANSING (AP)—Public funds may be used to help private and parochial schools unless Michigan voters decide otherwise in November.

That is the effect of two long-awaited rulings handed down Monday by the Michigan Supreme Court.

It represents a bittersweet victory for opposite sides on the controversial question of paro-

chialism, as the program is popularly known, because each got something less than full satisfaction.

In a narrow 4-3 decision, the high court said it found no conflict between the parochial pro-

vision and the state and federal constitutions. This clears the way for expenditure of \$22 million in state funds to help pay salaries of lay teachers in private and parochial schools in the current school year.

The Legislature, in earmarking the money, stipulated that none of it be spent until the high court ruled on the legality of parochialism.

In its other ruling, the high court refused by a 5-2 vote to

let Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley challenge the Court of Appeals decision in favor of a citizens group known as the Council Against Parochialism (CAP).

Kelley had said the petitions on which the council gathered

signatures for a constitutional amendment prohibiting parochialism were improperly drawn.

Following his advice, the Board of Canvassers refused to accept

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THE HERALD-PRESS Editorial Page W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

Watchful Wait On Campus

American colleges and universities now are or shortly will be convening for the 1970-71 school year. The biggest question is whether the 1969-70 disruptions will repeat. The bets are running even that the campus revolutionaries will attempt a repetition of last season's senseless outbursts but, if so, that the schools will discard their prior reluctance to put meaning into the phrase, law and order. In the Midwest, most eyes are cocked on the University of Wisconsin which suffered heavy bombing damage recently. The University of Minnesota is another critical zone. In our state, Eastern Michigan University at Ypsilanti and perhaps to a lesser degree, U-M are considered to be on the firing line. The prediction of meeting trouble head on this year arises from several sources. One wellspring is that the taxpaying public has made it clear it is fed up with financing the slap on the wrist technique of last year. Most legislatures have put the administrators of the state supported schools on notice that the latter must stiffen their spines on penalty of losing monetary support. More hopeful than this backlash is an awareness among the faculty and student body that violence is the wrong pay-off. National Review magazine published a poll recently indicating the disillusionment of the silent majority on campus feels the time has come to speak and act against the intemperate minority. The magazine conducted its poll by requesting letters from these interviewed. The editor explains the publication of the letters with the

comment: "The end of the school year caught many students, professors and parents constipated by the unavailability of appropriate media in which to express themselves. For the most part, student publications were dominated by the activist Left. Local newspapers do not usually encourage substantial accounts of private experiences or analysis. College presidents, reply with form letters." Many of those wishing to express their views did so to National Review. In the words of this publication, their opinions... are a stirring commentary on what it was like to go to school in the United States, in the spring of 1970." Making due allowance for the tendency of everyone to express extreme opinions in moments of bitterness, the thoughts of those who might be called members of the "silent majority" on the college campuses may, nonetheless, stir a feeling of shock among millions of people who have endeavored to shrug off disturbances on campuses as a transitory phenomenon. One student writes, "Four years and over \$8,000 ago I came to Columbia University expecting to be able to get a good liberal arts education and in general spend my college years in the peaceful pursuit of this goal. In four years at Columbia I have witnessed the destruction of a once honorable institution. I have seen a once great university become a third rate political tool for a mob of Vietcong flag waving animals, who trample the rights of anyone who dares to disagree with them. I am leaving Columbia this week to return to my native land, the United States of America, and I only hope its people will take me back."

Crime Task Forces

An organized crime task force consisting of representatives of the FBI, Secret Service, Internal Revenue Service, Post Office, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, Securities and Exchange Commission and Bureau of Customs, among others, is a potent weapon capable of hitting organized crime in almost any part of its operations. Such task forces now are operating in several cities. Taking the cooperative effort one crucial step further, federal task forces in New York City and Newark, N.J., also are combining their talents with state and local law enforcement agencies. Out of it all ought to come some dramatic breakthroughs in the war on crime. If nothing more, the concerted effort should break up the axis of crime underlings in some of the nation's major cities. If the underworld merely disbands and moves on to territories not involved in the task force program of the Justice Department, the concept will lose some of its potency. As federal prosecutions in New York and New Jersey indicate, that has not been the case. Organized crime is not something which can be stamped out overnight, but the crime increase in the nation over the last decade tells plainly that nothing short of a concerted effort by all forces involved in law enforcement can do the job.

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GLANCING BACKWARDS

NEW SCHOOL OPENS -1 Year Ago- Classes were underway today at the new Louis C. Upton junior high school in Lincoln township, delayed several days because of chlorination and testing of 2 1/2 miles water line linking school to St. Joseph water system. The new St. Joseph school building, on Maiden Lane and Lincoln avenue, has an initial enrollment of 521 students. Cost of the structure was about \$1.5 million. U.S. HITS RED COVER UP -10 Years Ago- The United Nations faced a major crisis today as a result of a slashing Soviet attack on

Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld and his Congo policies. A wide-open break was threatened virtually on the eve of the Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's appearance here. HEARING ON US-31 SPAN -30 Years Ago- A hearing for objections to the proposed new Main street (US-31) bridge across the St. Joseph river will be presided over here tomorrow by Col. Charles J. Taylor, of the U. S. Army Engineers. The hearing, called by the war department at the request of the Michigan state highway department, will be held in the commission room of the St. Joseph city hall.

LARGEST PAY -40 Years Ago- Taxpayers in St. Joseph broke all existing records yesterday when they paid approximately \$70,000 into the city treasury. It was the record single day collection in the history of the city, according to Director of Finance Fremont Evans. The previous record for any one day was \$48,000. Yesterday was the final day for payment of the summer tax without the four per cent penalty. NEW TIRES -50 Years Ago- St. Joseph fire laddies are going to ride to fires hereafter as gently as a sick man to a hospital in an ambulance. The council has voted to buy pneumatic tires for the pumper to replace the old rockribbed Gibraltar-esque solid tires now in use. NEW HOME -60 Years Ago- Mr. and Mrs. Henry Russell have moved into their beautiful new bungalow on Pearl street. It is modern in every detail and adds to the attraction of the Downtown addition. RETURNS HOME -80 Years Ago- W. R. Lyon, Esq., has returned from a European tour, having had a most enjoyable trip.

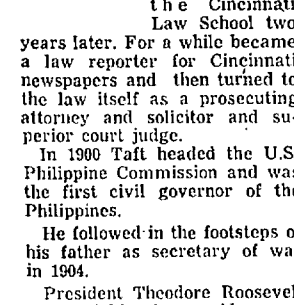
RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK! 1. Where is Beecher's Brook? 2. Where are Cayuga's waters? 3. Where is Pike's Peak? 4. Where is Harper's Ferry? 5. Where is Mars' Hill? WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE RECAP - (RE-cap) - verb; to recondition (a worn automobile tire) by cementing on a strip of prepared rubber or camel back and subjecting to heat and pressure in a mold.

IT HAPPENED TODAY On this day in 1857 Timothy Alden of New York obtained a patent for a typesetting machine. IT'S BEEN SAID Knowledge is the only fountain, both of the love and the principles of human liberty. - Daniel Webster. YOUR FUTURE Business and financial difficulties are likely to continue for a time. Today's child will be a profound thinker. HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT? 1. It's a water jump in Grand National steeplechase course at Aintree. 2. One of the Finger Lakes near Cornell University. 3. Above Colorado Springs, Colo. 4. Where the Shenandoah joins the Potomac. 5. Where St. Paul preached at Athens.

BORN TODAY Cornerstone of the Taft family's political dynasty was William Howard Taft, who followed Theodore Roosevelt into the White House. He also served with distinction as Chief Justice of the United States. His father was secretary of war and attorney general in Ulysses S. Grant's administration and minister to Austria and Russia under Chester A. Arthur. Taft was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1857. He graduated from Yale in 1878 and the Cincinnati Law School two years later. For a while became a law reporter for Cincinnati newspapers and then turned to the law itself as a prosecuting attorney and solicitor and superior court judge. In 1900 Taft headed the U.S. Philippine Commission and was the first civil governor of the Philippines. He followed in the footsteps of his father as secretary of war in 1904. President Theodore Roosevelt groomed him for presidency as an exemplary public servant and he won out over William Jennings Bryan. Taft's administration dissolved the Standard Oil and tobacco trusts; instituted the Department of Labor and drafted direct election of senators and income tax amendments. His tariff and conservation policies angered progressives. Taft was president of the League to Enforce Peace, supporting the League of Nations. He was professor of constitutional law at Yale and, in 1921, became Chief Justice. He died in 1930. Others born today include



Jackie Cooper, Milton Eisenhower and Margaret Lockwood. WILLIAM RITT You're Telling Me! In Chicago a judge and his law clerk staff played a softball game with inmates of the House of Correction. Wonder if anyone stole second base? During medieval times, according to a Factograph item, it required a year to produce a full suit of armor. By that time, most likely, the war was over. A bee has two stomachs - nature item. No wonder it has a honey of an appetite!

BERRY'S WORLD "I suppose you want to know what this 'family planning' is all about?"



DR. COLEMAN ..And Speaking Of Your Health

THE ADOLESCENT is a very special human being who needs and deserves a great deal more patience and understanding than he frequently gets. Adolescence is a period of psychological conflicts, confusions, and frustrations that overwhelm him and, too often, irritate the adults who surround him. Physically, he is almost reaching mature adult size. Emotionally, he is just being graduated from the post-puberty phase. Because of his size, adults make demands on him that he cannot yet clearly define. Lost in his own conflict, he tries to extricate himself from his confusion and, far too often, lashes out in rebelliousness. This response is based on his inability to rationally establish his own dignity in the home. It is not unlike the little child who, when cornered, spits and kicks as a defense against a threat. Had he been able to express his emotions in words, such asocial behavior would not happen. The teenager and the adolescent have physical, sexual, and emotional drives that overwhelm them. Expression of these feelings are difficult especially to their parents. The art of listening to them is a highly developed skill, one that is not necessarily known to all parents, because they are parents. It is for this very reason that I believe now more than ever that there is a need for the specialty of adolescent medicine. Doctors trained in this specialty can take advantage of visits to their offices and establish a relationship with adolescents to encourage expression of their inner hidden feelings. A suggestion by a doctor may be identical to one made by the parent. Yet, it will not call forth resentment because it does not have the "Command" of authority of a parent. Doctors have found that such situations may exist within their own home. Another person can make a suggestion to the doctor's own children and will be readily accepted without resentment. Young girls and boys in this conflicted state are trying to find their own identity, their own independence, and are seeking new values and attitudes that differ markedly from those of their elders. Because they seem to be departing from our teachings, we must not become resentful of them. They have much to teach us, if we learn to listen and hear their pleas for liberation from many of the constricting shackles that surround us adults. Our adult vanity is great, but if we really inquire into the artistry of our accomplishments, we will find many failures. Perhaps the instinctive vision of the adolescent is laying the groundwork for a variation from our society that may bring them greater pride. My faith in youth is an absorbing one. We can mutually grow and flourish if we work hard at understanding their newer values. SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Be selfish. Employ the handicapped. Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH ♠ A 10 5 ♥ 9 7 4 ♦ A Q J 6 3 ♣ K 10 WEST ♠ J 7 ♥ A 10 8 5 3 ♦ 5 4 ♣ 9 7 5 3 EAST ♠ 9 8 6 4 2 ♥ Q 2 ♦ K 7 ♣ Q 8 6 2 SOUTH ♠ K Q 3 ♥ K J 6 ♦ 10 9 8 2 ♣ A J 4 The bidding: North East South West 1♦ Pass 2NT Pass 3NT Opening lead - five of hearts. Let's say you're declarer at three notrump and West leads the five of hearts on which East plays the queen. It is clearly right to play the six on the queen, but the fact is that most declarers would take the queen with the king and go down after trying the diamond finesse. East would win with the king and return a heart to bring the defense to five tricks. This problem of when to reject a trick is occasionally very complicated, but most of

the time it is relatively easy for declarer to decide whether or not to win the trick. Thus, in the present, case, ducking the queen is right because it assures the contract, while taking the queen is wrong because it jeopardizes the contract. There is every reason to believe that West's five is his fourth, best heart, and, after East plays the queen, that West has the A-10-8. The number of hearts West has is unknown, but it seems certain that he started with either four, five or six. In deciding whether to take the queen, you must consider all three of these possibilities. It is clear that if you win the heart and it turns out that West has either four or six hearts, you cannot be defeated whether or not you win the first trick. The only real danger is that West may have started with five hearts, in which case the contract will fail if you take the first heart and the diamond finesse then loses to East. Since ducking the queen insures the contract regardless of how many hearts West started with, you should play the six on East's queen. The duck is merely a matter of self-preservation.

BENNET CERF Try And Stop Me

As if Wall Street brokers weren't having enough troubles these days, one of them was called at the busiest hours of the day last week by his dear old mother who demanded, "I want you to tell me immediately, Arthur, what I'm supposed to do with my American Telephone dentures." Possibly the zaniest book of the season, and one that is causing quite a stir in literary circles, bears the improbable title of "Trout Fishing in America and the Pill Versus the Springfield Mine Disaster." San Francisco author Richard Brautigan is sometimes hard to follow, but he certainly has an original sense of humor. Typical aside: "I remember mistaking an old woman for a trout stream in Vermont, and I had to beg her pardon. 'Excuse me,' I said. 'I thought you were a trout stream.' 'I'm not,' she said."

A slapstick was a stick, split and separated so that it will make a loud noise when struck against the buffoon's victim. A poult is a French soldier (a popular nickname from the French word meaning "Mairy" or "bearded"). Andrew Johnson succeeded Abraham Lincoln as president of the United States. Matzo is the name of the unleavened biscuits eaten by Jews. The U.S. Geodetic Survey is an organization which carries on geographic and topographical work.



Factographs



## ST. JOE SCHOOLS BUDGET \$107,416 IN RED

### Deputy Clerks Will Be Named

#### BH Official Gives In To Demands Of Blacks

Benton Harbor City Clerk Evelyn Grenawitzke said last night that she will train and deputize 12 young persons to register residents to vote on a door-to-door canvass.

### BH Will Interview Architects

#### Plans Progress For High School

Benton Harbor board of education will interview three architectural firms and select one to draw plans for a new senior high.

Supt. Mark E. Lewis said representatives of the firms will make separate presentations to the board in a series of meetings starting Sept. 21. The firms are Louis C. Kingscott & Associates, Kalamazoo; John McLeod, Washington, D.C.; and John Lyon Reed, San Francisco.

Lewis described them as nationally known. They were selected through screening by the administration in consultation with school planner Dr. Nikolaus Engelhardt. One of the first assignments for the winner will be assistance in site selection. The building plans will be drawn to conform with educational specifications being developed by Engelhardt on the "school within a school" concept.

In other matters before the board:

Dr. John Karan, assistant superintendent for education, presented the board copies of a revised discipline code. It essentially is the same as one adopted last year except that a section was added covering suspension and expulsion of students beyond compulsory attendance age and the dress code has been replaced by a declaration on personal appearance.

#### STATED SIMPLY

It states simply that the school principal is authorized to take necessary prudent action when "a student's attire is so bizarre as to interfere with the learning of others," hair style presents a danger to the student or others; appearance violates community standards of decency; bodily condition is detrimental to health.

The section provides for conferences to resolve problems and suspension if that fails. Trustee Oliver Rector wanted to know if the discipline code conforms with guidelines under consideration by the State Board of Education. Lewis replied Benton Harbor hasn't received any directive and wasn't waiting for one.

Karan explained that offenses against teachers and students "will be dealt with quickly and severely."

Lewis said "we're taking a very serious stand on this. If a student hasn't learned proper conduct by the time he reaches the secondary level, a gentle pat on the back isn't going to do the job." He was referring to procedures for serious offenses — immediate notification of parents and police, filing of criminal charges and expulsion if necessary.

#### COST OF BOOKS

Karan estimated that it will cost the district \$150,000 to carry out the State Supreme court order on free textbooks and supplies — \$75,000 for books in grades 9-12; \$60,000 for supplies in grades K-12; the remainder in fees that won't be

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### Used Clothing Stolen From Salvation Army

A huge quantity of used clothing was stolen from the Salvation Army store, 686 Territorial road in a burglary over the weekend, Benton Harbor police reported. Maj. Walter Winters estimated the missing clothing was worth \$325.



**CEREMONY IN THE RAIN:** Benton Harbor Mayor Wilbert Smith cuts ribbon Monday morning in ceremony at Kennedy park opening new Market street. Rain held festivities to a minimum. There were no speeches. The \$540,000 project is part of \$6 million downtown urban redevelopment program. Others present at ceremony are (from left) Charles Gray, city commissioner; Bud Whalen and Niel Berndt, both of Yerington Concrete company, general contractor; Patsy Clark, James F. Morgan, Jr. and Frederick Timmer, all of Williams and Works, project engineers; Mayor Smith; Leslie Cripps, urban redevelopment director; Ed Merrill, city commissioner; Don Stewart, city manager; Daniel Chapman, city commissioner; Ray Elliott, of Williams and Works; and Virgil May, city commissioner. (Staff photo)

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### Ruling On Textbooks Big Factor

#### Funds Cover Fiscal Year Of 1970-71

St. Joseph school board last night passed a record high 1970-71 \$3,886,705 operating budget that was \$107,416 in the red.

Approximately half of the impending deficit came from a \$50,000 estimated expense for furnishing free textbooks and supplies. An unexpected drop in anticipated enrollment and a reduction in both state and local funds trimmed revenues.

School Supt. Richard Ziehmer said revenues are expected to total \$3,779,289.

The board reviewed the proposed budget for almost an hour then unanimously approved it. Ziehmer said that work on the budget had been started last January but that the established formula in predicting state aid was scuttled by the legislature. Then the announcement of the textbook decision came after practically all teachers had been hired prohibiting meeting the deficit by cutting instruction costs.

Specifically Ziehmer said the reduction in the tax rate by the allocation board took away \$40,000 of the anticipated local revenue. Then the state aid formula did not provide for an increase whereas the district expected to gain around \$22,000. To this drop in revenue must be added \$50,000 in free books as an added expense.

#### DEFICIT REPORTED

The district's general fund balance sheet shows a \$159,538 operating deficit was incurred last year. The total general fund deficit stood at \$213,007 as of June 30, 1970.

Ziehmer said the district this year is carrying books and supplies furnished as a separate bookkeeping item to determine exactly how much the supreme court decision will cost the St. Joseph school district.

Ziehmer wrote in the preamble of the 1970-71 budget that: "It is essential to remember that your youngsters have but one chance to get a good education and we must provide that chance while dealing with fiscal crisis as best we can."

Business Manager Dean's Percy has developed guidelines with principals in providing supplies. Elementary children in general will receive five pencils and a half ream of paper each half year. Secondary students will receive items as they need them. A poll of principals indicated cooperation has been excellent.

#### ENROLLMENT RISES

Doyle Anderson, assistant superintendent for instruction, said he is unable to explain the enrollment figures. There were 4,357 on the fourth Friday of September, 1969. It was projected that 4,490 would enroll this fall but last Friday enrollment was 4,395.

The board debated at length and finally approved a policy for enrolling students whose parents are moving into the St. Joseph school district. In some cases new homes under construction have not been finished until after school starts. The board approved a policy that permits families to pay tuition in advance then recover if they have moved in before the fourth Friday of the school year, the official enrollment date.

Seniors whose families move away can complete their final year by paying tuition, the board decided.

The board approved purchase for \$2,650 of a one-ton capacity truck for transporting hot lunch food. Also accepted were low bids from Cities Service Oil Co. for No. 2 fuel oil at 11.2 cents per gallon from American Oil Co. for gasoline at 15.39 cents per gallon. The district used 18,980 gallons of fuel oil and 82,000 gallons of gasoline.

### ADC Must Be Paid By Father

A Benton Harbor father of two children on ADC was ordered Monday in Berrien circuit court to pay off a \$360 child support arrearage at \$5 a week, according to John Schoenhals, Berrien friend of the court.

The order came for Gayle Allen Poe of Benton Harbor during a divorce hearing before Judge Karl F. Zick. Poe also was ordered to continue weekly child support payments of \$10 per child.

## SJ Township Water Tax Doubled

St. Joseph township trustees yesterday, at a special meeting, rescinded a action taken last Monday to levy a one-mill tax to pay off water bonds and hiked it to two mills.

Supervisor Orval L. Benson said the township trustees were the victims of conflicting advice from state finance commission experts and bonding attorneys.

Some said one mill, which represents about \$40,000 in township taxes, would be enough the first year to take care of interest demands.

OKAYED BY ELECTORS  
Last spring at the annual meeting electors in the township approved a budget calling for two mills for debt service on the water bonds. However, the

board last week voted one mill in belief it would be sufficient.

The bonds are not due to be sold for another month but the township must approve at this time any special taxes if they are to be included on the winter tax roll.

All of the township board members with the exception of Clerk Andrew Schmidtman, Jr.,

who was absent, voted for the new tax levy last night.

At the meeting last week Trustee Robert DeVries voted against the one-mill tax levy arguing it was too low. Schmidtman, also voted against the levy on the grounds the bonds were not sold and there was no legal debt.

The township board also authorized the county public works board to hire a financial consultant at a cost of approximately \$5,000 to the township. The board approved the master plan for sanitary sewer system as a preliminary step in applying to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for a construction grant.

## Catholic School Enrollment Dips

Total enrollment in the Lake Michigan Catholic school system is down approximately nine per cent compared to a year ago, according to preliminary figures presented to the board of education last night.

The drop from 1,132 students to 1,002 was mainly felt in the primary grades (first and second), Sister Laura, principal of primary and middle schools, said.

Sister Norine, principal of the high school, reported that enrollment there is currently at 426, a drop of only seven students from last year.

First and second graders who attended school in St. Joseph last year now attend at St.

Bernard's in Fairplain. Starting this year only high school students attend classes in St. Joseph; grades 3 through 8 at St. John's; and grades 1 through 2 at St. Bernard's. Sister Laura felt that the decline could probably be attributed to the move of first and second graders from St. Joseph to St. Bernard's.

An Assistant Principal Robert Schmid reported to the board that delinquent tuition and fees, which totaled \$16,000 last month, had been cut in half.

Edward Conrad, board treasurer, said a schedule of payments had been set up with families in arrears and thus far things were moving along a lot

faster than before. Collection problems from non-hardship cases will be turned over to a collection agency, according to Conrad. Some cases of destitute families have been forgiven previously.

Mrs. Thomas McCourt reported the scholarship committee had distributed \$3,500 from the Diocesan Development Fund to 18 families and around \$2,000 from the school's own scholarship program to 12 families.

In other action last night the board of education:

- Commended the many people and students who helped get the three schools ready for occupancy this fall.
- Announced five adult education programs which would be offered in early October.

- Transferred \$1,000 formerly used for a team of part-time junior high teachers, no longer in the school system, to be divided equally among the four grade school principals.

- Announced that two additional buses, bringing the total to six, have been included in the contract with Twin City Transit at a total cost of \$22,000. The budget called for \$20,500 to be spent on busing.

"At present the two additional buses are necessary due to time alignments, but as the year progresses additional cutbacks will be made whenever possible," Schmid said.

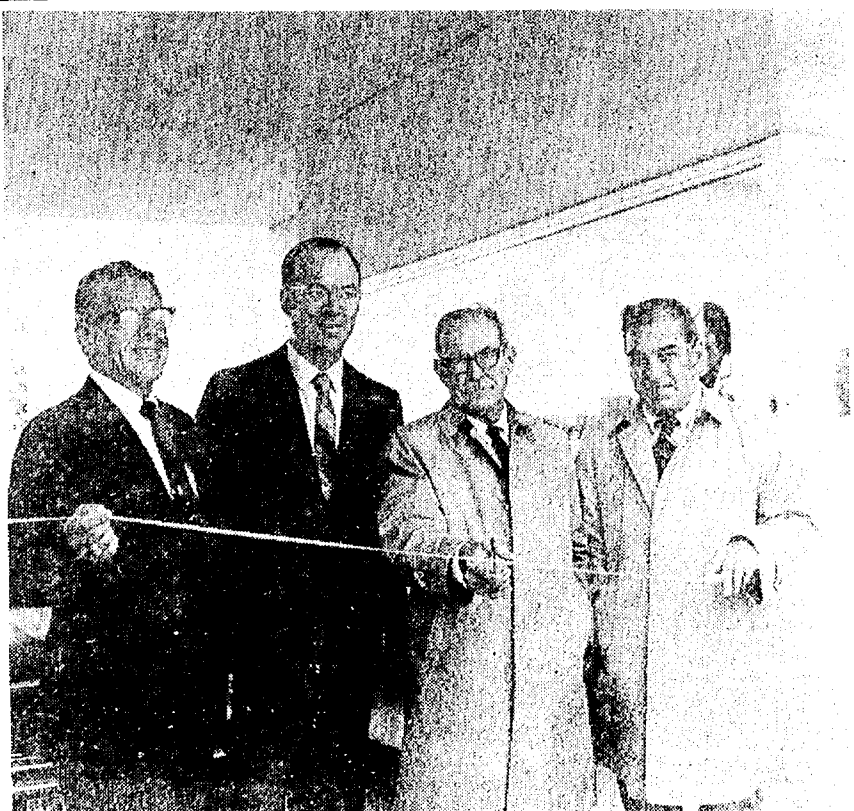
- Consolidated monies taken in and paid out for athletic events into one fund, instead of two, as was the case last year.

- Formed a committee to look into the matter of the band program at the middle school level.

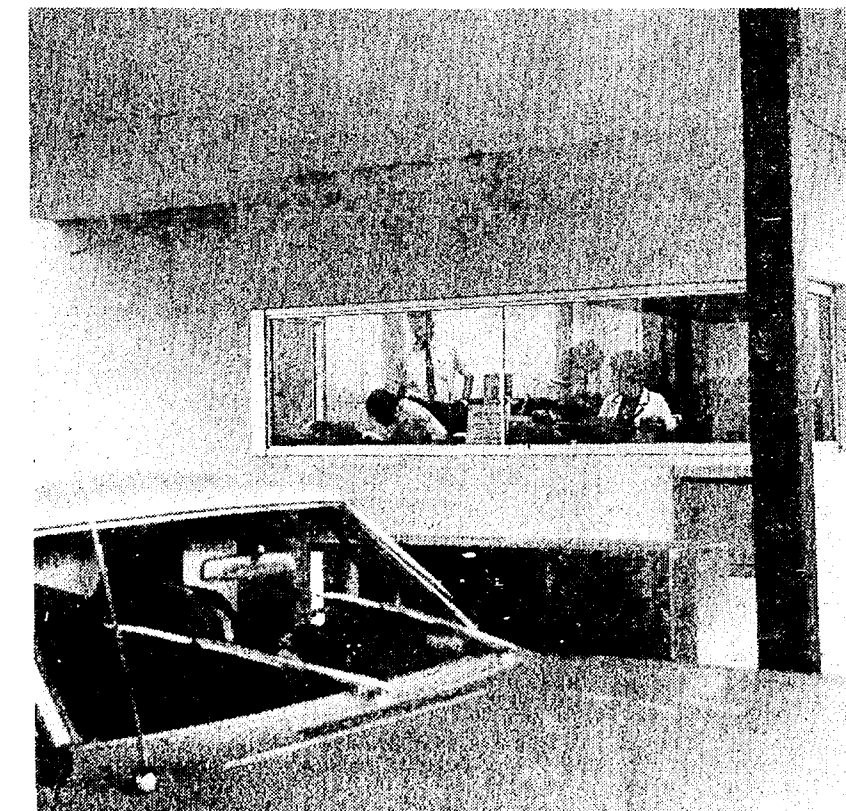
- Gave the West Central Neighborhood association of Benton Harbor permission to use the gym at the middle school to show movies to youngsters in the area once a month.

- Announced the hiring of 12 new teachers and that the salary of Sister Mary Brannagan, remedial reading teacher, be increased from part-time to a full-time status.

The board set its next meeting date for Oct. 12 at 7:30 p.m.



**BANK GOES AUTOMATED:** A snip of the scissors opened four new automatic drive-up teller stations at Inter-City Bank's main offices on Riverview drive, Benton Harbor, Monday. Ribbon-cutting honors went to the first customer, C. Molton Davis, president of Benton Electronics Co., Benton Harbor. From left to right are Charles A. Castle, senior vice president at Inter-City; James F. Murphy, vice president and cashier; Davis, and E. O. Eberhardt, president of the bank.



**HOW IT WORKS:** Two tellers, operating from glassed area, handle traffic through four automatic teller stations at Inter-City Bank offices on Riverview drive. Pneumatic tube carries deposits from cars to tellers where they are opened, processed and returned. Bank officials say automated operation will speed service for depositors.



ST. JOSEPH, MICH., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1970

## BERRIEN'S BOARD MUST BE REAPPORTIONED



**APPEAR FOR HEARING:** Two members of the Detroit motorcycle club, the Dictators, head into Allegan's 57th District court Monday for preliminary hearings. The two were among 25 arrested Sept. 6 after a group of campers complained of being terrorized throughout the darkness while camped near Saugatuck. The mass hearing for 24 of the 25 started at 2 p.m. and continued until 1:15 a.m. under stringent security measures imposed by Allegan law enforcement authorities. Bonds were continued at \$10,000 each on the three women members of the band and \$25,000 on each man. The 25th person arrested, a juvenile, has been referred to juvenile authorities. Charges against one of the 24 appearing for the mass hearing were dismissed, but he was being detained at request of Wayne county authorities.



**FACE CIRCUIT COURT TRIALS:** Twenty-three members of a Detroit motorcycle club were bound over to Allegan Circuit court Monday to stand trial on individual charges of conspiring to kidnap another person. The 23 were among 25 rounded up Sept. 6 by Allegan authorities near Saugatuck after one member of a group of nine campers said he had been held captive and terrorized throughout the night. Other members of the group of seven Royal Oak men and two girls were threatened and harassed. The two girls were forced to leave their camp and accompany certain motorcycle riders, authorities said. The 23 were bound over to circuit court by 57th District court Judge Elizabeth Ramsey after a mass preliminary hearing. Enroute to the hearing are Allegan Sheriff Robert Whitcomb, defendants Catherine Sprecher, 19, Roseville and Wanda Anderson, 20, Melvindale, and matrons Dawn Booher and Debby Adams. (Photos by Prosch-Jensen)

'70 Census  
Could Alter  
MakeupProsecutor Tells  
Commissioners  
How It Works

Berrien Prosecutor Ronald Taylor put the county board of commissioners on notice Monday that the seats on the county board will have to be reapportioned early in 1971, after the final census figures are issued. The five-man county reapportionment commission will have 60 days after the final census counts are received, probably late in November, to develop a one-man, one-vote districting plan for the county governing board.

Taylor indicated the reapportionment commission will be able to establish fewer than the present 21 districts if deemed advisable. He called upon the commissioners to offer suggestions on the matter of reapportionment in advance of the 60-day period the reapportionment body will have once the census figures are received.

By law, members of the reapportionment commission are the county clerk, county treasurer, county prosecutor, and the chairman of the two major political parties in the county.

Taylor said meetings will be started soon on the matter, even before the final census report is available, in order to begin preliminary planning.

## ADDITIONAL MATTERS

Also Monday, Berrien commissioners discussed county-paid defense attorney fees and ambulance service, and heard reports on the county jail, stop and frisk, and sewer projects, among others.

Commissioners asked if there's an alternative to county-paid attorney fees for indigent criminal case defendants that currently total \$47,467.49 and appear headed for \$75,000 this year. Prosecutor Taylor, quoting a bar association study several years ago, said the cost of a public defender's office would parallel the cost of the prosecutor's office, or \$140,000 a year. Or more. Further, Taylor said, there is a trend in Michigan to wholly court-appointed attorneys on grounds that merely giving them to indigents discriminates against the rich.

In a progress report, Commissioner Edward Grieger said the county-backed sewer system in Stevensville is 62 per cent finished while a different section, a sewer line along Hickory creek in St. Joseph township, has covered 1,000 feet including 125 feet on piling. The Three Oaks sewer system is 75 per cent complete, while construction bids for a water system for St. Joseph and Lincoln township appear below estimated costs.

## THREE RE-ELECTED

Commissioners re-elected three members of the County Building Authority and two members of the Berrien General hospital board of trustees to three-year terms on their respective agencies. Allen W. (Mike) Baker of Coloma, John Steele of Benton Harbor and W. Hester Mitchell of St. Joseph were continued on the building authority for terms ending October 31, 1973. Re-elected to the hospital board were Frank

WESLEY BOWERMAN  
Tells Moving Plans

Poorman of Buchanan, who is chairman of the county board of commissioners, and Edward Hrudka of New Buffalo.

Commissioners read a letter from state Jail Inspector Robert J. Russell noting Berrien Sheriff Forrest "Nick" Jewell will advance two proposals that Russell backs — a request for more jail guards, and an exercise area in the jail required by the state administrative code.

The Berrien chapter of the Michigan Townships Association told commissioners by letter that at a June 17 meeting township members recommended that county commissioner adopt Benton Harbor's stop and frisk ordinance for countywide application. The association's recommendation was referred to the county administration committee.

County Commissioner Reinhardt reintroduced the topic of subsidized ambulances in Berrien — dead since commissioners dropped subsidies last January — by noting commissioners should reexamine the issue rather than losing ambulance service.

Commissioners okayed paying \$88,038.55 in bills and approved usual expenses for Charles Knapp, county equalization director, at an International Association of Assessing Officers convention Oct. 24-28 in Las Vegas, Nev.

Dowagiac  
Policeman  
Suspended

DOWAGIAC—City police officer Fred Foster was suspended Monday pending outcome of an assault and battery charge filed against him last week.

The suspension was the second for the officer since June. He was removed from duty the first time on a complaint of conduct unbecoming an officer, fired, but then re-instated. The case touched off a current drive to oust the city administration.

Foster has pleaded innocent to the charge of assault and battery and is scheduled to appear in District court for trial. The charge involves treatment of a 15-year-old youth, Donnie Nickens, during an investigation of a fight, authorities have said.

Police Chief George Grady ordered the latest suspension on advice of City Attorney Herman Saitz. He had said previously he would not remove the officer.

Saitz opinion stemmed from a complaint of discrimination filed with him by former officer Michael D. McLeod. McLeod said he had been suspended immediately when charges were pending against him.

Saitz stressed that his opinion to Grady did not come from the city council. The move was made to protect the city and the chief against possible charges of discrimination.

## Major Fire Loss

GRAND RAPIDS (AP)—A fire in Granton Township, Kent County, today caused an estimated \$50,000 to \$100,000 damage to the Greenland Polishing Co., reported fire fighters who described the fire as "major."

Welfare  
Department  
Is MovingOffices Are  
Rented In  
Benton Twp.

The Berrien county social services department will move out of the county courthouse on Thursday and Friday of this week, and will reopen for business next Monday in new rented quarters at 1134 South Crystal avenue, Benton township.

Plans for the move were outlined to the county board of commissioners Monday by Wesley Bowerman, social services director.

Move of the big department, which has some 120 employees, will free the courthouse ground floor for subsequent use as headquarters of the Fifth District court system, following renovation into court facilities.

Remodeling of the former Aalite Trailer Co. plant in Benton township into new welfare headquarters is virtually completed in the interior, Bowerman said, but work on the exterior of the building will not be fully completed until about mid-October.

## TEN-YEAR LEASE

Under a lease with Twin City Realty Co., the annual rental will be \$75,000 a year on a 10-year lease basis. The county government will pay \$40,000 per year and the federal government the other \$35,000.

Providing over 50 office spaces, the new headquarters will be air conditioned, have wall to wall carpeting, and offer other refinements. The landlord will furnish heat, light, air conditioning, maintenance, snow plowing and other services, except for janitorial service which will be provided by the state.

Bowerman also outlined for the commissioners the pilot project under which the State Social Services department will provide funds for three persons to step up child support collections from fathers of children receiving ADC assistance. Proposed are a special assistant prosecutor and a special investigator, both of whom will be responsible to the county prosecuting attorney, and a special coordinator to work in the county social services department. A fourth person may be added in the friend of the court office.

## SUPPORT PAYMENTS

Bowerman told the county board that support collections for children on welfare have increased from \$51,000 in 1966 to \$144,000 in 1969, but added that there is room for increased collections. Berrien county has one of the lowest collection rates in the state, he said.

Bowerman also hinted at some new development to speed up locating fathers who have skipped out of the state. It now takes an average of six months to catch up to them, he said, and by that time they frequently have moved on again.

Bowerman said that with a planned new method, it would take only about three weeks to catch up with non-paying fathers, and he expressed the hope it would even result in some of the fathers returning to their families. He said he was not prepared to describe the details of the plan yet.

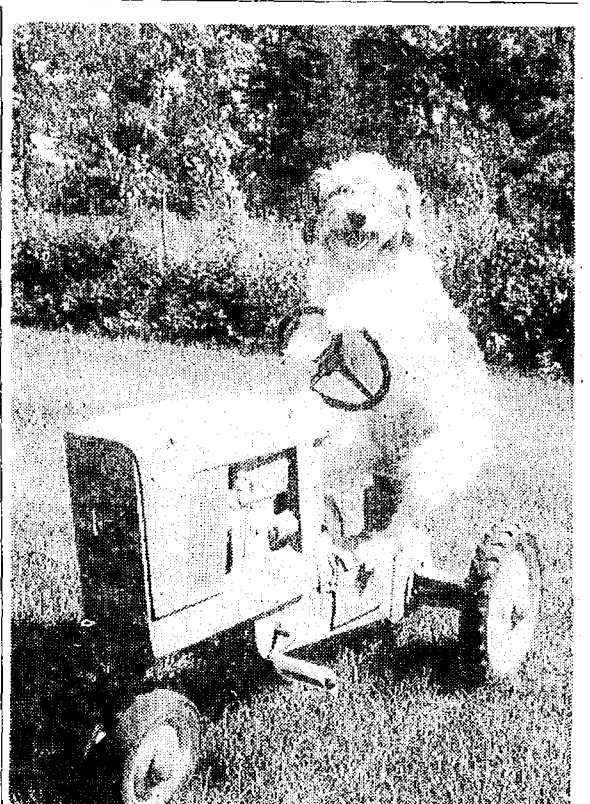
Bloom'dale  
Principal  
Appointed

BLOOMINGDALE — James F. Scholley, guidance director in the Bloomingdale school system for two years, has been appointed principal of the elementary schools.

Scholley began his educational career as an English instructor in the Cleveland public schools and taught in Grand Rapids for one year.

A graduate of Case Western Reserve university in Cleveland, Scholley holds a master of arts degree. He completed undergraduate work in psychology at the University of Pittsburgh.

Scholley is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Scholley of South Haven.



**CANINE CULTIVATOR:** "Gypsy," a pet of David Kietzer, 11, Stevensville, rides a toy tractor, on command, with a smile and a wagging tail. The dog is a 1½-year-old Terr-Poo, a cross between a wire-haired terrier and a poodle. "Gypsy" and David reside with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Kietzer on Frank court, where "Gypsy" does most of her farming. (Betty Goetz photo)

## At Gobles High

Visiting Boy, 15,  
Made Bomb Threat

GOBLES — Superintendent Guy Leversee told the Gobles school board Monday night that a 15-year-old visitor from another city was apprehended for a bomb threat which closed the high school for two hours Sept. 9.

Leversee said the boy was identified when he phoned in to the school again two days after the bomb threat, and the call was traced.

Leversee said the boy, whose identity was not revealed, was visiting relatives in the Gobles area. He was brought before juvenile court in Paw Paw later Friday, then released to his parents.

The boy had called early Sept. 9, and said a bomb was set to explode in the high school at noon and classes were dismissed immediately. After the school was searched and no bomb found, the students were returned to class at 2 p.m.

Leversee said there was no apparent motive other than that the boy wanted to cause a bit of excitement.

In another report, the board was told that enrollment this

year has stayed about the same as last.

The elementary school population this year is 543 students. There are 487 students in grades 7 through 12.

The question of parttime senior students was brought to the board by a senior girl requesting to attend classes in the morning only. She was identified as Coleen Rynold, 18, daughter of Mrs. Edward Kovalcek, rural Gobles.

Miss Rynold said she would use the afternoon hours to raise horses as a business. She said in prior discussion with school officials that she has sufficient academic credits to graduate with only morning attendance.

The matter was referred to the school's curriculum committee for study and a recommendation, to be returned at next month's meeting.

Two teachers, Elton Ransler and Michael Potts, were given approval to organize a debate team to represent the school in organized competition.

Drivers education classes are scheduled to begin Nov. 1, according to Leversee.

## From Musselman

Paw Paw Youth  
Wins Scholarship

PAW PAW — A \$2,000 scholarship has been awarded to Dale M. Sommerfelt, Paw Paw, by the Musselman Fruit Pro-

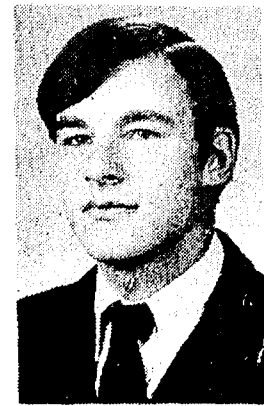
ducts division of Pet, Inc. Dale, a 1970 graduate from Paw Paw high school, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sommerfelt of Paw Paw.

The scholarship is given annually to an employee, or son or daughter of an employee or a grower who supplies raw products to the company.

The scholarship is provided in increments of \$500 annually. The first two years of the scholarship are for use at Lake Michigan college and the remaining two years at the school or the recipient's choice. Dale was chosen from among applicants at both the St. Joseph and Paw Paw plants.

He intends to major in history. He worked at the Paw Paw plant this summer.

**REAL ESTATE HEARING**  
LANSING (AP)—The 24-member Michigan Real Estate License Law Study Commission will conduct a hearing in Midland Friday on the state's real estate license law.



D. M. SOMMERFELT

South Haven's Schools Chief  
Urges New Bond Issue VoteBy TOM RENNER  
South Haven Correspondent

**SOUTH HAVEN** — Schools Superintendent Frederick Norlin urged members of the South Haven school board to consider resubmitting a proposed building bond issue to the electorate. Norlin made the recommendation while giving a 1970-71 enrollment report which shows a record attendance.

The superintendent said that enrollment after the first week of school was 3,464 students as compared to a projected attendance of 3,437. He said there are 1,957 at the elementary level, 524 at junior high and 983 at senior high.

"We are especially overcrowded at the junior high level where new facilities are urgently needed," summarized Norlin. He said that many elementary classes average 30 children to a room and that the fifth and sixth grades are averaging 33 children in each classroom.

Voters last June defeated by a two-to-one margin a proposed \$2.96 million bond issue to construct a middle school.

Norlin also said the current extra local operating millage assessment expires at the end of this year. He predicted that the present eight mill assessment will have to be increased to either 11 or 12 mills.

The board, in approving a record \$2.3 million budget for 1970-71 at its last meeting, included the depletion of more than \$190,000 in surplus funds. On the brighter side of the financial picture, however, Norlin reported that the debt retirement millage for the high school and Maple Grove school buildings will be reduced from 3.10 to 2.94 mills during the next assessment. The original millage for the bond issues ten years ago was 4.95 mills.

Personal and financial reasons were given as an expla-

tion for a rash of resignations from athletic coaching positions. Resigning were varsity baseball coach Ben Brooks, assistant varsity football coach Gary Steudle, junior varsity football coach Steve Shannon, assistant junior varsity football coach Ernest Maki, tennis coach Lynn Longley, junior varsity baseball coach Larry Retherford and assistant wrestling coach Bruce Bittenbender.

Appointed to new coaching positions were James McCloughan, assistant varsity football, baseball and assistant wrestling; Dennis Carlson, junior varsity football; Thomas Pauley, assistant junior varsity football and junior varsity baseball; ninth grade football; and William McKinstry, tennis.

Other appointments approved by the board included John Robinson, Jr. of South Haven to senior high mathematics; Robert Andre of Grandville to sen-

ior high English; and Mrs. Elizabeth Torstenson of South Haven to later elementary.

The board tabled action pending further clarification regarding membership in a proposed Van Buren county film library. Norlin said the proposed countywide program, which would be partially supported by federal funds, will make available to the system 464 films encompassing all areas of study.

The board approved of a recommendation from elementary vocal instructor John Bright to substitute the teaching of flutophones at the fourth grade level for ukuleles. The music department last Spring recommended the elimination of flutophones citing their ineffectiveness as a teaching tool. Bright said that several districts have successfully introduced music skills through use of ukuleles. He was authorized to purchase 30.